

### A Letter from Our

# **Executive Director**

Dear Friends,

Following serious lung surgery in 2010, I had to give up jogging, flying, and skiing. I was heartbroken. A close friend advised me to "adapt and survive," a phrase he often repeated to himself while serving in the armed forces. This helped me accept new limitations and find acceptable alternatives.

Recently, it became clear that the pandemic would hinder how the Headington Institute provided psychological support to global aid workers and domestic emergency responders. I posted "Adapt and Survive" in my office to remind me daily of the need to change. No longer able to travel the world freely, we delivered more training, consulting, and counseling services online. We developed an online resilience assessment tool and counseling chatbot to promote individual and team resilience. Today, by combining in-person, remote-but-live, online, and virtual services, we are helping 25% more people with a smaller staff and less cost than before the pandemic.

When I think of the past year at the Institute, perhaps "Adapt and Thrive" fits best. That's a good thing, since we're needed now more than ever.



James D. Guy, PhD **Executive Director & Cofounder** Headington Institute



We welcomed several new team members this year. Some have been working with the Institute for years, others were totally new to our mission.

### **NEW INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATORS**



**Monique Mendoza** Consulting Psychologist



Sheila Konyu Muchemi Consulting Psychologist





**Aaron Rosales** Consulting Psychologist

#### **NEW HIRES IN OUR VIRTUAL OFFICE**

### **STAFF VOICES**

what they said:



**Kristen Swift** Special Projects Assistant



**Megan Moody Operations Coordinator** 



**Abigail Young** Research Assistant



Alice Schruba Staff Psychologist



**Andrea Canales Education Consultant & Trainer** 





It's very gratifying to know that the time I spend with our clients is helpful to them as they navigate such stress in

We asked our staff what was most meaningful to them about our work this year. Here's

their work. Their feedback to me is very encouraging.

Our work in Lebanon this past summer was particularly memorable and rewarding. I helped created a resilience assessment for staff to help determine directions on how to respond in the aftermath of the Beirut Port explosion. It was very rewarding to see our assessments have immediate impact on how organizational staff care.



I was able to provide training for Ukraine first responders on Psychological First Aid. Not only was I able to get a refresher on PFA, I learned a lot about the on-the-ground work of meeting humanitarian needs.

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# Supportive **Global Response**

We worked with those on the front line of care—aid workers, emergency responders, and community caregivers—to ensure communities impacted by a variety of global events had resilient support. This year, we supported these compassionate responders in 34 organizations, across 48 countries.



Resilience Building, Vicarious Trauma, and Psychological First Aid

Most frequent training topics this year



Kenya, Jordan, and Norway

Most-visited countries



Counseling, HEAT Courses, and Group Resilience Training

Most-requested support offerings

## **EUROPE**

Cyprus France Germany Greece

Italy Poland Ukraine

United Kingdom

#### **ASIA**

Bangladesh Cambodia Indonesia Kazakhstan Laos **Philippines** Thailand Timor-Leste

#### **AFRICA**

Burkina Faso

Cameroon

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Zambia

**MIDDLE EAST** 

Afghanistan

Iran, Islamic Republic of

Israel

Jordan

Lebanon

Palestinian Territory

Turkey

Yemen





## **Expanding Our Impact**

We weathered and adapted to the initial stages of the pandemic through significant reorganization. This year, we built on our foundation by inviting new partners to join our community of action.



#### **PSYML**

A data science company for the digital human

psyML's extensive experience in data analysis and modeling has helped us expand our own research program and data pools. Using algorithmic analysis, psyML's team identified unique "Resilience Personalities," which we use to help clients understand their own resilience capacities.



#### **ECHO FACTORY**

An agency built on relationships

The EF team partnered with us to develop a new, responsive valuation and pricing matrix for our services. This matrix supports both individuals paying for Headington services and Headington's own staff, when we determine the value of our pro bono, subsidized, and grant-funded services.



#### X2AI

Affordable mental health access

Our multi-year partnership with x2ai has led to incredible results. Together we've built a custom resilience version of their chatbot, Tess. Tess is now helping us support domestic crisis responders monitor and understand their own stress responses and resilience challenges.





**34**Organizations



**48**Countries



773
eLearning Users



**29,200**Support Video Views



63,538
Resource Views



42 Workshops



**9**Team Consults



706 Individua Consults



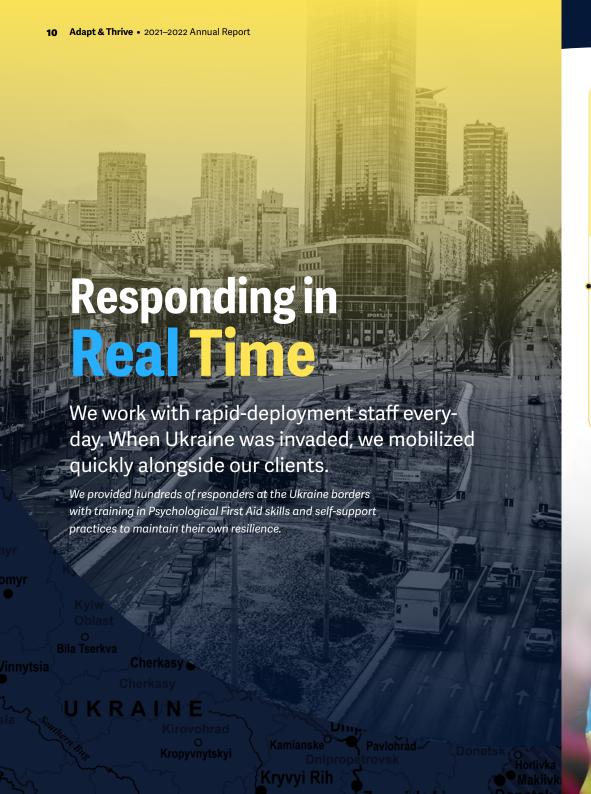
**6**HEAT Trips



300



Automated
Assessments



#### **PFA: WHAT IS IT?**

Psychological First Aid (PFA) is an evidence-informed practice for providing immediate psychosocial support after a critical incident. PFA focuses on promoting safety, reducing distress, and fostering immediate and long-term health and resilience. PFA providers are often the first on the scene, such as paramedics, chaplains, and social workers. Responders focus on being a calm and supportive presence, share information on common reactions to distressing events, and assess for concerning symptoms that merit a referral to additional services.



#### **HOW DO CLIENTS USE OUR TRAINING?**

One client organization utilizes PFA training while conducting investigations and interventions around gender-based violence, which they report back to the UN. Other organizations provide medical care, food distribution, and resource collection in Ukraine, Romania, and Poland. Given the stressful nature of this work, the Institute also led webinars on managing stress and vicarious trauma, during which aid workers process their experiences while gaining skills to build personal resilience and promote the resilience of those they serve.



#### WHAT OTHER SUPPORT DO WE PROVIDE?

The individuals working around the Ukraine borders navigate ongoing risks to their personal safety, physical health, and mental health. We provide one-on-one consultations to discuss vicarious trauma, coping in complex situations, staying resilient, and caring for traumatized people while processing their own exposure to trauma.



Our donors—individuals, foundations, corporations—supported both crisis response actions and long term care. Thank you for your encouragement and commitment to building resilient helpers across the world.

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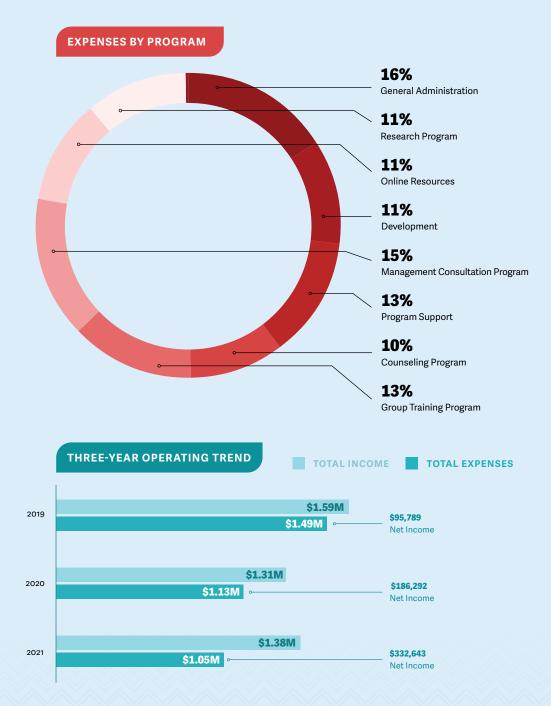
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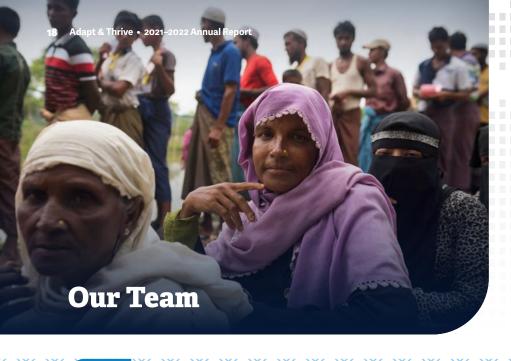


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The Headington Institute Foundation was established in 2021 as a nonprofit public charity single-purpose Type I Supporting Organization to receive and invest donations to the Institute, creating a sustainable income flow to

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